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Subpart C—Inmate Work and Performance Pay Program

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§545.20 Purpose and scope.

- (a) The Bureau of Prisons operates an inmate work program within its institutions. To the extent practicable, the work program:
- (1) Reduces inmate idleness, while allowing the inmate to improve and/or develop useful job skills, work habits, and experiences that will assist in post-release employment; and
- (2) Ensures that activities necessary to maintain the day-to-day operation of the institution are completed. Sentenced inmates who are physically and mentally able to work are required to participate in the work program. When approved by the Warden or designee, drug treatment programming, education, or vocational training may be substituted for all or part of the work program.
- (b) The Warden may recognize an inmate's work performance or productive participation in specified correctional programs by granting performance pay.

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§ 545.21 Definitions.

- (a) Physically and mentally able. For purposes of this rule, this shall include inmates with disabilities who, with or without reasonable accommodation, can perform the essential function of the work assignment.
- (b) Institution work assignment. A work assignment which contributes to the day-to-day operation of the institution (e.g., carpentry, plumbing, food service).
- (c) Industry assignment. A Federal Prison Industries (FPI) work assignment.
- $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{(d)} \ \ \mbox{\it Commissary assignment.} \ \ \mbox{\it A Trust} \\ \mbox{\it Fund work assignment.} \end{array}$
- (e) Full-time work assignment. A work assignment to which an inmate is assigned for the entire scheduled work day.
- (f) Part-time work assignment. A work assignment to which an inmate is assigned for only a portion of the sched-

uled work day. Part-time work assignments are ordinarily made in conjunction with drug treatment programming, education, and/or vocational training programs.

- (g) Medically unassigned. An inmate who, because of medical restrictions, is unable to be assigned to any work program.
- (h) Light duty work assignment. A work assignment in which an inmate may, because of physical limitations, temporary or otherwise, only perform limited work functions, e.g., sedentary work, no prolonged standing, no lifting over 25 lbs., etc.

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§ 545.22 Institution work and performance pay committee.

- (a) The Warden at each Bureau of Prisons institution is to establish an Institution Inmate Work and Performance Pay Committee to administer the institution's work and performance pay program. The Committee is to be comprised of an Associate Warden, the Inmate Performance Pay Coordinator, and any other member(s) the Warden considers appropriate.
- (b) The Committee is responsible for approving the following aspects of the institution's inmate work and performance pay program:
- (1) Number of inmates on each work detail:
- (2) Number of pay grades in each detail;
- (3) Job descriptions;
- (4) Performance standards;
- (5) Budgeting for special act awards; and
- (6) Bonus pay/special bonus pay procedures.

§ 545.23 Inmate work/program assignment.

(a) Each sentenced inmate who is physically and mentally able is to be assigned to an institutional, industrial, or commissary work program. Exception shall be made to allow for inmate participation in an education, vocational, or drug abuse treatment program, on either a full or part-time basis, where this involvement is mandated by Bureau policy or statute (for example, the Literacy Program).